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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to Clp-protease, which, when absent, brings about reduced growth and chlorotic leaves as target for herbicides. For this purpose, novel nucleic acid sequences encompassing SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:11 and SEQ ID NO: 17 and functional equivalents of SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:11 and SEQ ID NO: 17 are provided. Moreover, the present invention relates to the use of Clp-protease in a method for identifying compounds with herbicidal or growth-regulatory activity, and to the use of the compounds identified by this method as herbicides or growth regulators.

